

## ALWAYS WITH US.

## A Times Reporter Follows the Track of the Needy Ones.

It is a self-evident proposition that a snow blockade entails its first and greatest misery upon the poor. This is caused by the stoppage in traffic and trades, and a general cessation in business, which caused a laying off of help in all directions.

A reporter for THE TIMES made an extensive tour among those portions of the city generally inhabited by the poorer people, and found that the outlook for the winter is by no means assuring. Many mechanics in all trades are idle, and laborers find but little to do. A marked feature of the trip was the unanimity of expression from those spoken to that they desired work, not charity.

On every side were seen brawny men handling shovels removing the accumulations of snow, while it was plainly apparent that they were unused to that kind of toil, but that they accepted every opportunity of earning a dollar.

The disaster at the Machine Works resulted in throwing out of employment some 800 men for an indefinite period, and this throws upon the limited labor market yet another vast body of men, upon whom are depending families for support.

Much needs to be done by the benevolent societies connected with the various churches in relieving their wants.

One case which came under the personal observation of the reporter yesterday was that of Robert E. Doss, the carpenter who fell from the dummy train two weeks ago, sustaining injuries which necessitated the amputation of one of his legs. Wednesday morning Doss suffered a stroke of paralysis and now lies in a critical condition. Doss has a family of seven children, the oldest, a boy of 13, being the only one able to work, and he is now employed as a telegraph messenger, his earnings averaging but 30 cents a day. This is pitifully insufficient to provide the commonest necessities, not to mention the needs of a family so situated. The charitable should at once take steps to relieve their want. The family reside at 624 Sixth avenue southeast.

While writing the above a deaf mute employed as a compositor in THE TIMES office approached the reporter and wrote upon a slip of paper, "This is for the poor and needy," and handed one, which was given in the evening to Mrs. Doss.

In the early morning Mr. Thompson, the saloon keeper at the corner of Salem and Nelson street, notified Sergeant Jones that he would send to the mayor Saturday morning, for distribution among the needy, 100 loaves of bread, fifty pounds of bacon, twenty pounds of rice, and several sacks of flour. When interrogated by a reporter, Mr. Thompson modestly disclaimed any notoriety in the matter and said he merely wanted to do the little within his power to relieve the prevailing distress. Mr. Thompson wears an old head and antlers which will explain the matter to many Roanokers and sojourners. This donation will be judiciously expended under the direction of the mayor.

## THE LADIES' AUXILIARY

Of the Young Men's Christian Association Organized Yesterday.

A meeting of the ladies of Roanoke was held at the Presbyterian Church at 3:30 yesterday afternoon, as announced in THE TIMES of Thursday.

Owing to the unshoveled condition of the sidewalks the meeting was not large. Yet a good number of ladies showed their interest by wading through slush and snow to be present.

After prayer by Dr. O. F. Flippo, Mr. H. O. Williams, the State secretary, made a few remarks, suggesting some ways in which the ladies could be helpful to the association.

The following ladies were afterward nominated and elected to serve for one year as members of the executive committee:

Presbyterian Church—Mrs. E. H. Stewart, Mrs. Ballard Huff, Mrs. Joseph Cox, Methodist Church—Mrs. J. T. Smoot, Miss Emma Engleby, Mrs. Dr. Crozier and Mrs. Roy B. Smith.

Episcopal Church—Mrs. Lizzie McClanahan, Mrs. Fanny Pole, Mrs. W. W. Coe, Miss Joe Waltz, Mrs. W. Taylor Thorne.

Lutheran Church—Miss Mattie Terry, Miss Mary Trout, Mrs. P. L. Terry.

Christian Church—Mrs. W. S. Goeck, Mrs. Luckett.

Baptist Church—Miss Geraldine Stewart, Mrs. A. J. Camp, Mrs. O. F. Flippo, State Secretary H. O. Williams, accompanied by General Secretary T. A. Johnson, are to visit the association at Bedford City to-night.

The fifteenth annual convention of the association of this State will be held in Lynchburg February 12-15, 1891. Mr. Johnson expects to carry down the banner delegation from Roanoke.

The young men's meeting held in the Association Hall last night was one of unusual interest.

## His Election Sure.

From the New York star.

There remains little doubt of the election of ex-Governor Palmer as Democratic United States Senator from Illinois. The Republicans are resorting to extraordinary measures to prevent the assembling of a Democratic legislative majority, and Governor Fifer seems to be lending his authority to that end. In the twenty-first district the Republican candidate is ineligible, and the Democratic candidate, who received the next largest number of votes, claims the seat. In the sixteenth district there is obviously good ground for the Democratic charge of fraud. In the thirty-fifth the Republican claimant appears not to be a citizen of the State, while the Assemblyman for the Fifth district, whom the Republicans claim, avows his independence of their dictation, having been elected in spite of the opposition of the organs of the Republican machine. If all these contests are decided in favor of the Democracy, the nominee of the Democratic caucus will have at least three votes to spare.

Everybody reads THE TIMES' "Want Column." If you have houses or rooms to rent, property or anything else to sell put a small Ad. in THE TIMES, it will bring you calls.

## NEWS! EXTRA

Deep cut in prices on clothing for the holidays. Only a few days.

Mens' suits and overcoats, youths' suits, boys' suits and childrens' suits, all must go. Such prices on seasonable, stylish, well-made and perfect-fitting clothing, at this period, has never been heard of, but rapid transit is what we advocate, and goods must move more lively.

HERE THEY ARE! THIS WEEK! FOLLOW CLOSELY.

All \$8, \$9, \$10 business suits go for \$7.

All \$11, \$12, \$13 dress suits go for \$9.

All \$14, \$15, \$16, \$18 finest suits, including fancy worsteds and wide wales, in fact the very choicest, go for \$12.

Mens' Overcoats, Think of it!

All \$7 and \$8 serviceable overcoats go for a \$5 note.

All \$9 and \$10 dress overcoats go for \$7.

All \$11, \$12, \$13 fine light overcoats go for \$10.

All \$14, \$15, \$16, \$17 handsome, tailor-made overcoats, dark and light shades, go for \$12.

We'll knock the bottom out of profits; now for the boys.

All \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50 children suits go for \$2. All sizes and patterns, nobly plaid.

## IMPORTANT

All whose intentions are to buy a NEW SUIT or OVERCOAT, or both, call here the coming week. We expect the liveliest week's trade we've had this season. Desirable clothing at surprising prices will do the business; where it takes \$10 elsewhere, it takes \$6 here; where it takes \$5 elsewhere, it takes about \$2 here. None so poor but who can buy our clothing this week.

## CAPITAL AND LABOR CLOTHING HOUSE

9 Salem Avenue (Kirk Building), Roanoke, Va.

## THE SITUATION CHANGED.

## Striking Miners to be Aided by Iron Workers.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 18.—[Special]—A special from Birmingham, Ala., says that the coal miners' strike assumed a serious turn yesterday, and one that threatens to close every industry in this district. The members of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers held a meeting yesterday and passed a resolution of sympathy and pledged support to the strikers. They agree to refuse to work with coal mined by convict or seab miners if the strikers ask them to do so.

Patrick McBride, one of the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America, arrived here from Detroit Wednesday night to look into the strike. He says if he cannot settle it he will call out all the iron and steel workers. This means a closing down of all the rolling mills, foundries and machine shops, and 3,000 more men will join the ranks of the strikers. The strike has already seriously injured business and there seems to be no prospect of settlement.

THE TIMES is the leading paper of the mineral belt of the two Virginias. If you want to keep posted on the development of this section you cannot afford to be without it.

## A London Hotel Burned.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—[Special]—The Grand Hotel at Margate caught fire last night and despite the efforts made to extinguish the flames the hotel was destroyed. The fire broke out after the inmates had retired, and the flames spread with such alarming rapidity that when they were awakened they had no time to save their clothing or personal effects, but were compelled to rush from the burning building in their night clothes. Great excitement prevailed and many guests had narrow escapes. No lives were lost, and the only person reported hurt is the bar maid, who was injured by jumping from a window.

## Many People Killed in a Wreck.

QUINCY, Dec. 18.—[Special]—Word has just been received from St. Joseph De Levis that the west-bound Halifax express train went through the bridge at that place shortly before noon. The entire train, except the baggage car and engine went down, and a number of passengers were killed and others injured. Assistance was sent from Levis. No particulars have been received as to the number of the killed and injured, but the cars are said to be smashed to pieces.

## Heritday, a Wife Murderer, Hanged.

WELLANDON, Dec. 18.—[Special]—Arthur Heritday, who murdered his wife by pushing her over a cliff at Niagara Falls in July last, was hanged at 8:01 o'clock this morning. The condemned man walked to the scaffold firmly and with a smile on his face. His death was easy.

## Cotton Factors Assign.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 18.—[Special]—McGhee & Co., of Rome, Ga., wholesale grocers and cotton factors, have been forced to assign. Liabilities, \$150,000; assets about the same.

## The New School.

It is somewhat remarkable that until recently but one school of medicine should have been represented among the practitioners of Roanoke, since in nearly all the cities of the country the homeopathic school has had its successful representatives. Last August Dr. A. O. Pitcher, of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, was travelling through Virginia, his native State, and became so impressed with the advantages of Roanoke and so pleased with the natural beauty of its surroundings that he voluntarily surrendered a large practice of fifteen years' standing at his home in Iowa, purchased a beautiful residence on Terry Hill and came to Roanoke a few weeks ago. Though a homeopath, he has the highest testimonials as a physician and surgeon from his brother practitioners of the old school. Among other well-known families in Iowa to whom Dr. Pitcher administered was that of Ex-Postmaster-General Frank Hamilton.

## Hospital Meeting Postponed.

The hospital meeting which was to have been held this afternoon at the Opera House has been postponed indefinitely on account of the snow. The meeting will be held as soon as the snow is gone, the time to be announced later.

For a Christmas present nothing could be more acceptable than a nice piano or organ. You cannot do better than consult the Hon. Music Company, Lynchburg, Va., before purchasing an instrument. They have a new and handsome stock of goods for the holidays at lowest prices. Illustrated catalogue free.

You may know how to shop, but THE TIMES' advertising columns will give you pointers every day on what to buy and where to buy it.

## GUIDE-BOOK VACATION.

How Young Yardstick Made the Most of a Poor Thing.

There is nothing in this world that is a livelier factor in one's happiness than being able to make the most of a poor thing. And it is the happy temperament of the imaginative clerk who can not get away for a vacation in the mountains or on the shore that enables him to be as serene in his third-story back hall bedroom.

Here he can be in all the resorts in the country in his imagination without leaving the house. We are all well aware that the anticipation of the circus intoxicates the soul of the small boy much more than the circus itself, and anticipation and imagination are about the same thing. Therefore, the clerk in his imagination enjoys something that can not be clouded by disappointment, when he fancies the joys of a place that he can not visit.

He has guide books and photographs without number, and with these he may well murmur, his soul bubbling over with dreamy joy:

"Here I am climbing Mt. Whiteface, while sitting on a soft bed in my slippers. I can look up to its grand old bald head on which there are no flies, in any sense, and from the top of it enjoy the hawms and the Druids to my heart's content without feeling that on returning I have got to hold on to saplings and lower myself to its base like one descending from a burning building on a rope. If this mountain climbing gives me a huge appetite, I have not got to travel two hours to reach Grizzly Lodge to get a meal about three sizes too small for a dwarf. As it costs nine dollars per week here and \$17.50 at the Grizzly Lodge, I can not consistently feel that I am at all unfortunate in not being able to get away.

"At Grizzly Lodge, if you complain of the smallness of the portions, you are told that they are in reality large, but appear diminutive to your vision only because your vision is acted upon by your gnawing mountain appetite. Therefore, in this house I may enjoy Grizzly Lodge at its best—which is the guide-book description, and still be within half a block of a first-class restaurant.

"It costs fifteen dollars to travel from Grizzly Lodge to Campobello, but in my hall bedroom I can make the journey in a second by turning a page. Here I am in Campobello in a first-class hotel—in the guide book—and, looking at the picture, I see the wavelets curling like weary tiger lilies beneath the silvery moon. Ah, the grand old ocean, this is the way I like to lay hold of its frothy—Oh, ouch, ah—!!—!!—!! I never thought I could split a head-board with my knuckles before. How delightful, how picturesque is the grand old sounding main, when enjoyed in this way, where its freezing air can't chill you through, and the land breeze can not thrust you into a swarm of hungry mosquitoes.

"I tell you, Horatio, there is nothing so pleasant as a guide book vacation, because there is no disappointment; you don't have to tip the waiters, you don't have to sleep in a room so narrow that you can not turn over in bed without falling over your trunk, you don't have to attend to your correspondence by sitting on the bed, having your feet against an elastic wall, and writing on your knee, and you don't have to sleep on a bed that's so uneven that you awake round-shouldered and bow-legged.

I am the old optimist that believes firmly in the guide-book vacation, for it stretches through all the year, enables you to paddle among the lilies in December, to catch fish out of season, and shoot in great quantities animals that are really extinct. Pray, excuse me, gentle reader, for I am an impetuous dry-goods clerk, and I tremble until the very scissors jingle in my vest pocket, when I think of to-morrow, and the rural mob that swarm the place on every bargain day, and I want to lose myself in the howling wilderness of the North Woods, and float off into rosy visions to the murmurous melody of the sparkling, silvery Ultona.

Where the steak is sweet and tender As the lily on the stream, Where the lovely maidens render Life a rosy posy dream, Where by Tower's bark Peruvian We at night are not unmoved, Where no hen that's antediluvian On the table's ever served, Where the atmosphere's delicious And the views as fine as silk, And the cocktails as nutritious As the cream upon the milk.

—R. K. Munkittrich, in Once a Week.

Bobby—Pa, are you very busy to-night?

Father—Well, I'm just reading the paper, Bobby. What is it?

Bobby—There's a race of little people called Pigmies, isn't there?

Father—Yes.

Bobby—Well, pa, when they grow up are they Hogmies?

Father—Bobby, you can go to bed at once.—Munsey's Weekly.

## THE TRAINS RUNNING.

The Tracks Clear and Coal Coming from the Mines.

The railroads are getting in very good shape and trains are moving all along the lines of the Norfolk and Western and Shenandoah Valley roads. All the trains came in on time except the early morning west-bound train.

The snow between Radford and Bluefield was very heavy, continuing Wednesday night and for a while yesterday morning, and reaching a depth of 28 to 30 inches. Trains were blocked Wednesday night and yesterday until 4 o'clock, when the track was cleared and the first train run to Bluefield.

The handling of coal was delayed for nearly twenty-four hours, but will continue. Though the general traffic of the roads was considerably delayed, it was not blocked anywhere except between Bluefield and Radford.

The lines are now clear and the business will move as smoothly as before the great storm. Coal is moving from Bluefield, and thirty car loads were taken from the coal regions yesterday.

The railroad yards in the city are about cleared of the snow, and a large force of hands is still at work.

## CITY BULLETIN.

We will wait on you promptly if you want yourself or baggage carried to any point in the city. MAGIC CITY TRANSFER CO., 112 Jefferson St. nov13-1f

The Stenographic Bureau, room 7, Masonic Temple, will send an expert stenographer and type writer to any office. Call up telephone 150. nov5

Hughes & Camp carry the largest stock of carriages, buggies, harness, saddles, horse-furnishing goods, and horse-boots in the city. Repairing done on short notice. Telephone No. 141, 153 Salem avenue, 152 Terry avenue. sep23

Mattresses of all kinds made to order by E. H. Stewart & Co. je21-1f

Evans & Chalmers have the largest stock of oils, varnishes and Longman and Martinez paint ever brought to Roanoke.

Stoves! stoves! stoves! cheaper than ever at M. H. Jennings & Co., Salem avenue, near Market House. oct7-1f

Buy your cooking stoves from M. H. Jennings & Co., near Market House, Salem avenue. †

Road plows, road scrapers, and all kinds of railroad and mineral supplies at Evans & Chalmers.

Refrigerators and ice chests of various makes and sizes at E. H. Stewart & Co. je21-1f

Evans & Chalmers have just received a car load each of sash weights, powder, old hickory wagons, cider mills, sash, doors and blinds.

A large and beautiful stock of carpets and rugs in newest styles can be found at E. H. Stewart & Co's. je21-1f

Evans & Chalmers have just received a large stock of guns, rifles and sporting goods. Call and examine their stock.

The largest stock of lace curtains in the city and at bottom prices at E. H. Stewart & Co's. je31-1f

A beautiful stock of English American, and French plain and decorated china tea, dinner and toilet sets at E. H. Stewart & Co's. je21-1f

An elegant assortment of chamber and parlor suits have just been received by E. H. Stewart & Co. je21-1f

The Magic City Transfer Company will give you good service. Leave orders 112 Jefferson St. nov13-1f

Arbuckle's coffee at 25 cents per pound at Blount's Diamond Front, 152 Salem avenue.

## JAMES DEVON,

(Successor to E. Walsak.)

Dyeing and Scouring Establishment,

104 Campbell street, Third avenue s. w.

## ROANOKE, VIRGINIA.

Everything dyed and cleaned in the best manner. Not excelled by any establishment in the country.

SIR KNIGHTS' ATTENTION.—There will be a regular convocation of Sir Knights Templar, No. 15, Knights Temple, to be held at their regular evening, Dec. 20, 1890, By order of the Commander.

JNO. C. G. Recorder, Dec19-1f

Is THERE anything you wish to buy or sell?

Do you want rooms?

Do you want board?

Do you want employment?

Have you stock for sale?

Have you rooms for rent?

Do you want boarders?

If you want anything or have anything to dispose of put an advertisement in THE TIMES. It will cost only one cent per word, and will bring what you want.

Situations Wanted and "founds" inserted free of charge.

## WANTED.

A STENOGRAPHER desires pupils in stenography after 7 p. m. Thorough individual instruction. Am a graduate of a court reporter. Terms moderate. Address P. O. box 561, Roanoke, Va. dec19-3f

WANTED—Board and room by young man. Address, H. C. G., care of Times office. dec19-2f

LOST—Pug dog, dark color; liberal reward will be paid if returned at once to 301 Nelson st., cor. Kirk ave. s. e. dec19-1f

STRAYED OR STOLEN—A black speckled setter gyp, with black ears and brown spots over eyes, wearing nickel collar with lock. Answers to name of "Baby." Liberal reward for return to R. H. WOODRUM, Masonic Temple. dec18-4f

WANTED—I wish to rent a house or to secure board for self and wife from Jan. 1st. Apply by letter or in person at 112 South Jefferson st. H. W. NEWBY, Roanoke and Southern Ry. dec17-4f

FOR RENT—A large front room unfurnished, with or without board. Address, P. O. Box 556, City. dec17-1w

WANTED—For a customer a lot on Salem avenue, between Commerce and Jefferson streets. Parties having such property will consult their interest by listing with us at once. CUTCHIN, ELLIS & CO. dec17-1w

FOR RENT—Large, pleasant rooms (centrally located) furnished or unfurnished. No. 24 Franklin street. dec16-1m

WANTED—Woman to do general house work. Wages ten dollars month. Apply to DR. THOMPSON'S, Eighth avenue, between Roanoke and Commerce streets. dec17-3f

GENERAL AGENTS selling the patent adjustable shoe are making from \$3,000 to \$5,000 per year. Canvasers \$1 to \$7 per day. Exclusive territory given. Address with 2-cent stamp, CONSOLIDATED ADJUSTABLE SHOE STORE, 44 West 14th St., New York City. dec16-1w

WANTED—A competent nurse to care for two children. Apply to 202 8th ave. s. w. dec16-1w

YOU CAN MASTER SHORTHAND or book-keeping in four months by studying one hour every evening. It will only cost you \$1.00 per week. Address H. V. S., Times office. dec12-6f

LOST—A lap robe, solid black on one side, white and black on the other, with two pictures of dog. A suitable reward is offered for its return to GRAY & BOSWELL, 114 Jefferson street. dec10-1w

WANTED.—Two experienced hardware salesmen with established trade on C. & O. R. R. and N. & W. R. R. by a Baltimore wholesale jobbing house. Address, with references, "HARDWARE," care National Advertising Bureau, Baltimore, Md. dec10-6f

FOR A BEAUTIFUL LINE OF Christmas presents call at D. L. SOLOMON'S, 108 Salem avenue.

A CHOICE LINE OF HOLIDAY goods in the jewelry line just received at D. L. SOLOMON'S.

WHY NOT GO TO W. H. OLIVER, formerly of Baltimore, if you have houses to build. His office is 117 Salem avenue, and his shop is on Earnest avenue, between Sixth and Seventh streets s. w. Plans and specifications furnished. dec1-1m

WANTED—To let business and professional men know that they can secure the service of an expert stenographer and type writer by calling upon telephone 150 or calling at Stenographic or Typing Bureau, room 7, Masonic Temple. Parties desiring to dictate correct or let or have letters, contracts, etc., copied at this establishment do so with a lot of time.

THE TIMES receives and prints daily five times as much telegraphic news as any other paper in Roanoke.

## CHANGE OF FIRM

The Roanoke Drug Company

CHARTERED.

W. P. DUPUY, President.

J. D. EGGLESTON, Sec'y and Treas.

Having purchased the Roanoke Drug Company from Dr. H. A. Sims, we have entered upon our duties with the determination to push the business in a way that will

we believe, win the high regard of the public. We solicit a fair share of patronage. M.

R. G. Dalby, a licentiate of pharmacy, and one of the most efficient prescription clerks of Southwest Virginia, will remain with us, and will be pleased to see any of his friends.

The Roanoke Drug Company

No. 48 (First) Salem Ave. s. w.

Having sold my entire interest in the Roanoke Drug Company to the above parties, I take great pleasure in recommending them to the public, and especially to my friends and former patrons. The high business standing of the new firm guarantees success.

(Signed) H. A. SIMS, M. D.

December 17, 1890.

NOTICE.

Dissolution.—Notice is hereby given that the firm of GREGORY, THOMAS & CO., doing a real estate business in the city of Roanoke, is hereby dissolved by mutual consent. All debts contracted by said firm will be settled by THOMAS & PAINE at our old office.

R. L. GREGORY, J. M. THOMAS, W. H. PAINE.

GEORGE W. WILSON, THE GRAINER AND PAINTER, imitator of every wood; antique oak a special graining of oak, maple and other woods can be seen throughout the Leon Hotel, corner Commerce and Campbell streets. Orders solicited. Residence 307 Commerce street, nov30-1m

ENGLEBY & BROS.,

MANUFACTURERS OF

TIN AND SHEET-IRON WARE,

AND DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF COOKING AND HEATING STOVES.

Plumbing and Gas-Fitting, Roofing, Spouting and Jobbing

19 Salem avenue, ROANOK VA. aug-4f

NOTICE.—All persons who have boarded horses with me will please meet me to-day to arrange for caring for them in the future, on account of the collapse of part of my stable. I will continue to furnish the livery trade.

dec18-1f W. C. WILLIAMS.